

## ST. LEONARD'S

**My Parish, My Mission: - STARTS TODAY** - We are launching My Parish, My Mission, a 3-week journey inviting us to reflect on what our parish means to us and how we can help it grow and flourish. It is a wonderful opportunity to strengthen our faith, deepen our connection to our parish community, and be part of something truly special. My Parish, My Mission began here on **Saturday 7th March**. We encourage everyone to join us at Mass each week - you will find it both inspiring and rewarding.

**\*Collections for Weekend 28<sup>th</sup> Feb/ 1<sup>st</sup> March** - Collection - £358.82 Dona Machine – £55.00

Weekly Standing Orders – £350.46

**TOTAL = £764.28**

**Stella Maris:** Please see note of thanks on board for woolly hats sent off last week. Maybe we can send off another bag before Easter?! Thank you to you all, Stephanie.

**The Annual Big Spring Clean of the church and churchyard** will take place on the **21<sup>st</sup> March from 9.30am**. Please come and join us if you are able to. Many thanks (see poster in church).

**Altar Servers** - We would like to recruit some additional Altar Servers to our group. If you would like more information, please speak with Father Tim.

**Parish Lottery** – If you wish to join the Parish Lottery, forms are available in church and from Anne Pegg and should be returned to Anne, so a lottery number can be allocated.

**Life Ascending Group** - The Life Ascending Group in Malton would like to welcome parishioners to be part of our upcoming meetings (3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month, 10.30am – 12pm). Any queries, speak to Barbara Jameson or Sarah Sharpe.

## ST. JOSEPH'S

**\*The next Coffee, Cake and Chat** will be after Mass on the **15<sup>th</sup> March**. Any funds raised in coffee mornings will be donated to 'Let the Children Live'.

**\*The next Music Practice** will be after Mass on the **22<sup>nd</sup> March**.

**Lectio Divina** has resumed and the next ones will be on **Monday 9th March & Monday 13th April** starting at 9.30am.

**Private Prayer** - The Church will be open for private prayer on the following days/times; Monday afternoon at 2 pm and Wednesday morning at 11 am.

## HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY

**York** - If you or a loved one is going into hospital and would like a visit and Holy Communion, please do let us know in advance or contact Sue Ellis the acting Catholic Lay Chaplain; either on her mobile 07748 108253 or via the Chaplains' Office Number 01904 725579 (under GDPR we no longer routinely access details of Catholic patients). In case of urgency, please ask the nursing staff or switchboard to page the on-call Catholic Chaplain. A Catholic Priest is on-call 24/7 in case of emergency.

**Scarborough** The Catholic Chaplain can be contacted on 01723 360358.

**Malton** Please contact Father Tim (01653 692128) or Sue Westmacott (01653 628035)

If you are contacting us about someone else, you must have their permission.

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## DIOCESE OF MIDDLESBROUGH

# Parishes of ST JOSEPH'S Pickering ST LEONARD & ST MARY'S Malton



Parish Priest: Fr Tim Bywater

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Pastoral Team St. Joseph's: Paul Robb, Anne-Marie Whincup, Jackie Shepherd, Kitty Turner, Amanda Howard, Philip Quinlan, Una Stewart

## Third Sunday in Lent – 8<sup>th</sup> March 2026

“A spring of water welling up to eternal life.” John 4:5-42

### MASSES THIS WEEK

**MASS AT ST. LEONARD'S:**

**SATURDAY AT 6.30pm; SUNDAY AT 9.00am.**

**MASS AT ST. JOSEPH'S:**

**SUNDAY AT 11.00am**

## PRAYER FOR WORLD PEACE

### A Prayer for Peace in the World

Lord, send your Holy Spirit down upon the earth, the Spirit that conquers division, the Spirit that leads to freedom, the Spirit that overcomes war, Lord of time and of eternity, Give our world the peace, which only you can give. Amen  
Our Lady, Queen of Peace. Pray for us and the whole world.

## MASS TIMES / MASS INTENTIONS / SERVICES

Saturday	7 <sup>th</sup>	(St. Leonard's, 6.30pm) <i>For the people of our Parishes</i>
Sunday	8 <sup>th</sup>	(St. Leonard's, 9.00am) Donor's Intentions
	8 <sup>th</sup>	(St. Joseph's, 11.00am) Donor's Intentions
Tuesday	10 <sup>th</sup>	(St. Joseph's, 1.00pm) Donor's Intentions
Wednesday	11 <sup>th</sup>	(St. Leonard's, 12noon) <i>For the people of our Parishes</i>
		(St. Leonard's, 6pm) Stations of the Cross
Friday	13 <sup>th</sup>	(St. Joseph's, 3.30pm) Stations of the Cross

**\*Responsorial Psalm – “O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.”**

## TODAY

- Coffee after Mass at St. Leonard's
- Children's Liturgy during Mass at St. Leonard's
- Week 1 of My Parish My Mission at St. Leonard's
- Please take a copy of The Voice



## SACRAMENTS

**\*Reverend Douglas McKittrick – ORDINATION TO THE SACRED PRIESTHOOD** - Douglas will be Ordained to the Sacred Priesthood on Saturday, **28th March at 12:00 noon at Saint Mary's Cathedral**. If you would like to attend, please sign up on the sign-up sheet in church, or let the Parish Office know. The Parish has organised a coach to the cathedral which will leave **Old Maltongate, Malton at 9.45am**. It will then pick up parishioners from **Eastgate Car Park, Pickering at 10am** with estimated arrival **at the Cathedral to be 11.30am**. The coach will be **departing Middlesbrough at 3pm**. More details will be sent out separately to all those who have signed up to go. Please continue to keep Douglas in your prayers as he prepares for Ordination.

**\*Confirmation Programme at St. Leonard's 2026** - Our Confirmation programme will be starting soon, with the first session being on **Sunday 22nd March 2026, 6pm in the Parish Hall**. An email will be sent out to parents of candidates shortly with more information. There is still time to enrol and candidates celebrating Confirmation should normally be of Secondary School age. If your child wishes to start the programme, please get in touch with Lisa Gallon [lgallon@btinternet.com](mailto:lgallon@btinternet.com) or the Parish Office ([stleonardsmalton@rcdmidd.org.uk](mailto:stleonardsmalton@rcdmidd.org.uk)) for the enrolment forms. Many thanks

**First Holy Communion 2025/26** - The next session will be on the **7th March**, 4-5pm in church. For more information, please contact Lisa Gallon on [lgallon@btinternet.com](mailto:lgallon@btinternet.com)

## CAFOD

**\*Fairtrade & Local Craft Fair on Sat 21 March 10 – 3 pm** at Friend's Meeting House, Greengate, Malton. A chance to buy ethical easter eggs and other gifts ensuring producers get a fair price. Also lovely local crafts. **Free entry & Fairtrade refreshments**. Please come along & support this event.

**\*Cafod £1/square fund raiser grid**, 6 super prizes. Please buy a square and support Cafod. The winning square will be drawn on **Sunday 29th March**.

## PASTORAL

**\*Middlesbrough SVP Vinnie Camp**: Could you volunteer to help a child make new friends, build their confidence and make memories to treasure this summer? We need adults to work as part of a team of 8 volunteers providing pastoral care to 20 children aged 9 – 11 years old. The residential camp will run from Monday 10 August until Friday 14th August 2026 at Peat Rigg Outdoor Activity Centre, Pickering. You don't need to be an existing member of an SVP group, but you must be over 18 with enhanced DBS. All volunteers receive training from the SVP national team. Food, accommodation and travel expenses will be covered. To find out more about the camp or to request an application form, email this year's camp leader Patricia Nobbs [presidentc13@svp.org.uk](mailto:presidentc13@svp.org.uk)

**\*The next Journey in Faith Meeting** will be on **Thursday 19th March at 7 pm** in the Parish Centre. Journey in Faith runs on Thursday evenings and is fortnightly. All are welcome to join us, parishioners of both parishes and those enquiring about the Catholic Church in both Malton and Pickering. Any queries, please contact Sue Westmacott (01653 628035 [susanwestmacott@gmail.com](mailto:susanwestmacott@gmail.com)) or ask Fr Tim.

**\*Ryedale Community Foodbank** – We are slowly building up stocks again after the Christmas rush. Current shortages are; **tinned soup, baked beans, tinned pasta, tinned tuna & tinned fruit**. Boxes for donations are at the back of Church in both Parishes. If anyone would like to donate funds to the Foodbank this can be done via BACS to: Ryedale Community Foodbank, Sort Code 40-52-40, Acc number 00037212 Or by cheque made payable to Ryedale Community Foodbank. Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ryedalecommunityfb> Web: [Ryedale Community Foodbank](http://Ryedale Community Foodbank)

**LASTINGHAM PILGRIMAGE 2026, WEDNESDAY 1st APRIL** - Walk, saying the Stations of the Cross from Chimney Bank Top to Lastingham (a short 3 miles gentle walk DOWNHILL). Meet at BARMOORS, HUTTON-LE-HOLE, YO62 6UE 9.45am for a lift to Chimney Bank (or get yourself to Chimney Bank no later than 10.15 am - plenty of parking). Fr Christopher Gorst will say MASS at 12.30 pm in the Crypt, St. Mary's, Lastingham. As always, everyone welcome, to walk and Mass or just join the pilgrims at

Mass. Soup and Buns at Barmoor's afterwards. This is an ecumenical event and we look forward to seeing as many as possible. Gather up your friends, relations, neighbours and bring them along! No-one need say they are coming, you just turn up. More info from Alice O'Neill if needed, 01751 417063, Barmoor's, Hutton-le-Hole, York YO62 6UE

**\*The Malton, Norton & District Lions - blankets for the People of Ukraine** - Thank you to all those who have kindly donated blankets for the people of Ukraine. They will be sent directly to the Lions out there so that they arrive where needed. **Deadline to get the blankets in is Sunday 8th March**. [Explore Our Faith](#) meetings are normally held fortnightly at 10am on Thursday mornings. The next Explore our Faith will be on the **12th March**. All welcome from both parishes. For more information, contact Marion Cuthill - 01653 693063 or email [marioncuthill@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:marioncuthill@yahoo.co.uk).

**Rosary Prayer Group** - If you would like the group to pray for a particular intention – please place that confidentially in the prayer box near the prayer board. The next Group Meeting will be on **Tuesday 10th March** at 6pm in Church.

**Malton Free Fridge** is open Mon, Weds & Sats, 9-12pm at the Wesley Centre, Saville Street.

**Diocesan Outreach to the LGBT+ community – TODAY**

On the 2nd Sunday of every month at 3pm in the Bar Convent Chapel in York, there is Mass in which a particular welcome is offered to people from the LGBT+ community. Doors are open from 2.30 pm, with refreshments served after Mass. There is usually a small presence from St Leonard's and lifts may be available. For more information, contact Sue Westmacott ([susanwestmacott@gmail.com](mailto:susanwestmacott@gmail.com)).

## LITURGICAL

**Holy Father's Prayer Intention for MARCH** *For disarmament and peace*

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

## SYNOD

**Pathways for the Implementation Phase of the Synod** - These Pathways, prepared by the General Secretariat of the Synod with the opinion of its Ordinary Council and approved by the Pope Leo XIV, are part of the General Secretariat's service of accompaniment during the implementation phase of the Synod. They aim to offer local Churches throughout the world a shared framework that will make it easier to walk together and also promote the dialogue that will lead the whole Church to the Ecclesial Assembly in Oct 2028. The implementation phase aims to examine new practices and structures that will make the life of the Church more synodal. [250102---ENG-Pathways-for-the-implementation-phase.pdf](#)

## ADMINISTRATION

**Standing Orders and Gift Aid Queries** - Anyone wishing to set up a Standing Order can contact our Gift Aid Officers, Lisa Gallon for St. Leonard's & Mary's [lgallon@btinternet.com](mailto:lgallon@btinternet.com) or Paul Robb for St. Joseph's [sjgiftaid@gmail.com](mailto:sjgiftaid@gmail.com) You do not need to be a taxpayer to donate by standing order.

**\*Quote of the Week** – "Tis easy enough to be pleasant, when life flows along like a song; But the man worthwhile is the one who will smile when everything goes dead wrong." Ella Wheeler Wilcox

## ST. LEONARD'S

**Digital giving –**

You can now support our parish through digital giving. Simply scan the [QR code](#) on the front of this newsletter or from the posters and follow the steps. The codes will take you to a website from which donations to the church can be made [Or](#) you can use the contactless card reader in the church porch. The new [Dona Digital giving terminal](#) has been installed by the door of the church and also provides the option to gift aid donations. It offers a variety of options, such as the offertory collection, piety stall. If you need any help using the machine, please find a member of the finance team.